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#### POCAHONTAS TIMES

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#### Salute To

Pocahontas County  
Pearl of the Alleghenies

Pocahontas County was named for the famous Indian Princess, and, while still a part of Virginia, was formed in 1821 from the counties of Bath, Randolph and Pendleton. It contains 942 square miles and today has a population of 10,136. The county seat is Marlinton; there are four incorporated towns—Hillsboro, Marlinton, Cass and Durbin.

Before the white settler came, Pocahontas was the hunting ground of the Shawnee Indians, whose home was in Ohio. The Indian Trail, known as "The Warriors Road," established by the Iroquois along the mountains from northern New York to Georgia, went through the county and may be seen at several points still today. The Seneca Trail Route 210, generally follows this road. Jacob Marlin and Stephen Sewell came from Frederick County to what is now Marlinton in 1749, the first white settlers west of the Alleghenies, and were found here by Andrew Lewis as he surveyed in 1751, marking as a corner of his survey the Charter Oak, the trunk of which still stands in Marlinton. By the time Lewis came, Sewell and Marlin had had differences about "religion" and Marlin was living in the cabin while Sewell made his abode in a hollow sycamore, later moving to a cave seven miles south and then on to Greenbrier County where he was killed by the Indians.

Fort Greenbrier, of French and Indian War days, stood near where the Court House stands today in Marlinton. Other community protection forts were at Jacob Warwick's, Cloverlick, Thomas Drinnen's, Edray, Fort Cackley (Keckley) Mill Point and Fort Warwick on Deer Creek. The last Indian raid was in 1786 when Henry Baker, the first school teacher, was killed and scalped above the Fair Grounds and two Bridger Brothers were killed above Mill Point as they came to help.

Many of our settlers were the hardy Scotch Irish, who came in the big migrations of the middle eighteenth century to form a living wall beyond the Blue Ridge. The population in 1800 was about 153, those for the most part being members of the first families that had permanent homesteads, namely John McNeel, Thomas McNeill, Moses Moore, Peter Lightner, James Ewing, Henry Harper, John Moore, Felix Grimes, Samuel Waugh, James Waugh, John Buckley, Aaron Moore, Robert Moore, Timothy McCarty, Robert Gay, Jeremiah Friel, Jacob Warwick, John Slaven, John Warwick, Sampson Mathews, Josiah Brown, John Baxter, Levi Moore and John Bradshaw.

The first church in the county was the White Pole Meeting House, built by John Mc-

Neel, the first settler in the Little Levels, about 1770. Bishop Asbury, the famous circuit rider, visited this church. We have seven churches over 100 years old—Hamlin Chapel or the Old Log Church, Green Bank Methodist, Liberty Presbyterian, Baxter Presbyterian, Huntersville Presbyterian, Mount Zion Methodist, and Oak Grove Presbyterian Churches.

Huntersville was a place where hunters and traders met and it became a flourishing place of business. It was here the county was organized in 1821 and it remained the county seat until 1891, when it was voted to move the seat of government to Marlinton, formerly Marlin's Bottom, which then began to grow with the promise of the coming of the railroad.

Three academies were established in the county about 1842: at Academy, now Hillsboro, Huntersville, and Green Bank, (Carrie Stulting, mother of Pearl Buck, taught here.) These were preparatory schools for the University of Virginia.

In 1836 the Warm Springs-Huntersville Turnpike was completed; about 1841 the Staunton-Parkersburg Pike, planned by the famous Crozet, one of Napoleon's engineers, was built through the northern part of the county, and on this road was the well-known Travelers Rest, still standing at Bartow, the home of E. B. Beard. From 1854 to 1856 the Hutonsville-Marlinton road, the covered bridge at Marlinton, and the Lewisburg road were built.

The year 1861 saw fighting in the northern part of the county. After their defeats at Philippi and Rich Mountain, the Confederates moved to Bartow and later to Top of Allegheny Mountain and the Union forces to Cheat Mountain and in the Tygart's Valley. For about two months in the fall of 1861 General Robert E. Lee was in command of the Confederates in the county. Battles were fought on Cheat Mountain, at Bartow (2) and on Allegheny Mountain between September and December. After this Pocahontas County was quiet until on in 1863. The Federals under General W. W. Averell and the Confederates under Major John Echols met at the Battle of Droop Mountain on November 6, 1863, engaging over nine thousand troops, more than in any other battle in West Virginia. The Southern army was forced to retreat but escaped south into Monroe County. The battlefield is now a state park. Later in 1863 General Averell's troops returned from a raid to Salem, Virginia, through this county.

The virgin forests of white pine were harvested in the late 1800's and early 1900's, with logs and big rafts being floated down on the floods of the Greenbrier until the building of the railroad up the Greenbrier in 1901.

Pearl Sydenstricker Buck, world renowned novelist and winner of the Nobel prize for Literature, author of the "Good Earth" and about fifty other books, was born at Hillsboro in this county in 1892.

The timber industry and the tanneries at Durbin and Marlinton swelled the county's

population, which peaked in 1915, was 15,002 in 1920 and has been declining since.

A big change took place in the county in the 1920's and 1930's when the United States Government began buying land for the Monongahela National Forest and the state began setting up parks and forests. Many CCC camps in the county worked at reforestation and built roads which saved our forests from the scourges of fire. Today our county has the largest hardwood area of any county in the state. Over half of our 603,270 acres are publicly owned. We have 276,840 acres in the Monongahela National Forest. We have Watoga State Park, Seneca State Forest, Calvin Price State Forest, the State Trout Hatchery at Edray—included in the stocking of streams this year were the famous Golden Trout, a newly developed strain honored as the Centennial Trout—and Droop Mountain State Park. Last year the state purchased the old logging railroad at Cass with 13 miles of track and three old powerful Shay engines. The tracks climb to above 4000 feet with two switchbacks, through beautiful scenery. It has attracted 20,000 people in its first season. Cranberry Glades is a botanist's paradise, a section of northern tundra caught high on Kennison Mountain. Nearby are the beautiful Hills Creek Falls. There are bountiful springs and numerous caves that delight spelunkers. Deer, bear, squirrel, grouse and wild turkey attract many hunters, and the beautiful mountain streams lure the fishermen.

About four years ago the Bucksin Council Boy Scout Reservation was established on 1800 acres of land at Diley's Mill; it is considered one of the finest Scout camps in the East. At Minnehaha Springs is a boys' summer camp and also Allegheny Lodge for employees of Standard Ultramarine Corporation of Huntington.

Varying from 2000 to 4842 feet above sea level (Bald Knob is 4842 feet, the second highest point in the state), Pocahontas has an average altitude exceeding that of any county east of the Rockies. Known as the "Birthplace of Rivers" from its highlands flow many rivers, and not one drop of water drains into the county. Rising here are the Greenbrier, the longest river in West Virginia, Shavers Fork of Cheat, Tygarts, Williams, Cherry, Cranberry and Elk. A very minute section drains to the Potomac and James.

The quietness of the mountain-rimmed Deer Creek Valley brought to Green Bank in 1957 the National Radio Astronomy Observatory, a re-

search center managed by Associated Universities, Inc. for the National Science Foundation. Here different sized telescopes listen to radio waves from outer space. The 300 foot telescope is the largest movable scope in the world. There are also laboratories, workshops, dormitory, cafeteria, etc. This summer we opened the Pocahontas Historical Museum at Marlinton. Famous novelist Pearl Buck, a native of our county as noted before, and Governor and Mrs. Barron (she is also a native) were present for the dedication.

#### Rummage Sale

The Marlinton Woman's Club will hold a Rummage Sale on Saturday, October 5, beginning at 9 a. m., in the basement of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church.

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Curtis S. Wilson  
Director

#### Legal Notice

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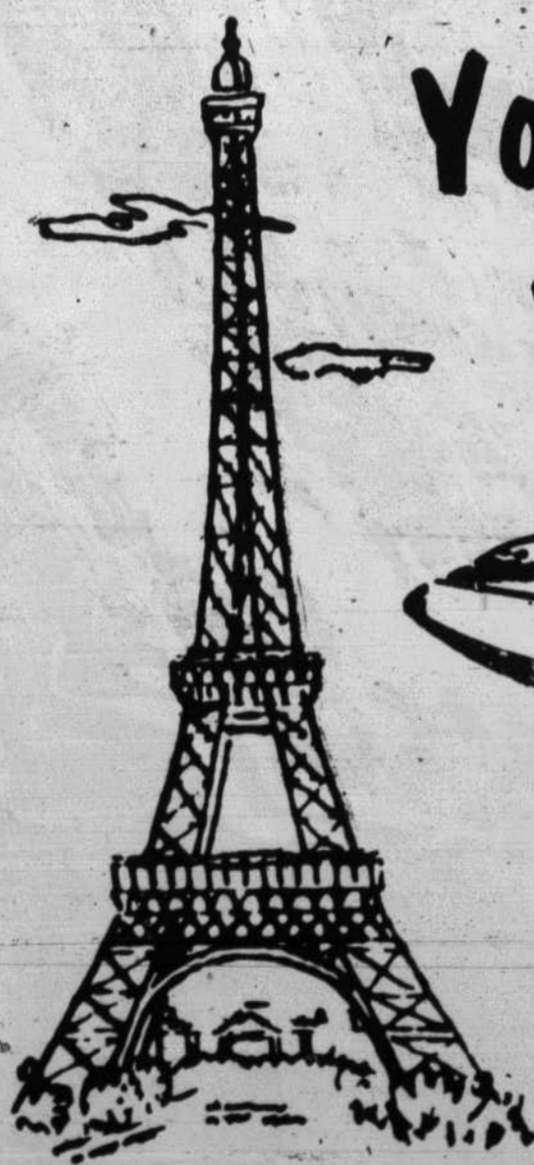
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